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Irrigation

Damage caused by the Vatchili drain in the Godavari Central Delta.

* 827 *Q.*—Mr. G. SRIRAMULU: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there have been petitions sent up to the Government by the ryots of the villages of Vaddiparru, Vatchili, Vasanthavada, Atreyapuram, Lolla, Vadapalli, etc., in the East Godavari district since 1925;

(*b*) whether the special party has ever gone to the central delta; if so, whether the Government have given any instructions to the special party with regard to the irrigation facilities to the lands at the head of the main and bank canals in the central delta;

(*c*) whether the Government have received petitions about the havoc rendered by the Vatchili drain; and

(*d*) what the steps taken by the Government are to safeguard the ryots against the damages caused by Vatchili drain?

A.—(*a*) No such petitions are readily traceable.

(*b*) Presumably the special party which worked in the Godavari Western Delta for the localization of the permanent, rotational and excluded zones is referred to. This party did not work in the Central delta.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) The Government will enquire.

Mr. G. SRIRAMULU:—"May I know, Sir, with reference to the answer to clause (*c*), whether the Government are aware that much damage is caused to the ryots by the Vatchili drain?"

The Hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"I have no information on the point, but I am enquiring into the matter, as stated in the printed answer to clause (*d*)."

Land Revenue Administration

Executive instructions to Revenue Divisional Officers in regard to collection of kists.

* 828 *Q.*—Mr. V. T. ARASU: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any executive order or instruction has been issued to the Revenue Divisional Officers suggesting to, or compelling, them to exercise all the resources at their command in the matter of the collection of the kists; and

(*b*) if so, whether a copy of the same will be laid on the table of the House?